

Score Board Unveiled Dec. 11

Band And Glee Club Give Program

Crowd Cheers Sunny Boy

Plans which had been made far in advance came to a stirring climax, Saturday evening, Dec. 11, immediately following the high school basketball game, when, with impressive ceremonies the new electric score board presented to the school by the Alumni Association was dedicated.

The college and high school glee clubs and the band marched in formation onto the floor, their step in perfect rhythm with the booming of the bass drum. With the band supplying the music the glee clubs sang the banner song.

Introduced by the Rev. Edward Roof, Athletic Director, the Rev. Cyril F. Knue, rector of the college, gave the introductory address. He voiced the appreciation of the college to the Alumni Association and spoke on sportsmanship in all fields of sport. In closing he remarked on the value that the new score board will have in helping the spectators to follow the game.

To the strains of Concordia's school song the glee clubs formed the double "C", symbolic of Concordia College. In perfect harmony they sang three syllables of the name Concordia.

Again they shifted into an easily recognized formation. While the band played St. Joseph's Fight Song the three human letters, S-J-C, standing out clearly.

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Intriguing Hobby Developed By Scenery Makers

Club Invites Volunteers

Encouraged and applauded for their work on the settings of "A Pair of Sixes," recently presented at the College, the Drama Workshop will continue to manufacture and renovate scenery and equipment on the auditorium stage.

Father Koch, experienced in this type of work from his years at the seminary, received added benefit from a thorough course in the producing of stage equipment last summer at the University of Wisconsin. Returning to Collegeville, he found a number of advanced carpenters and electricians among the faculty who willingly offered their services. Came last September, and several students, also interested in this fascinating craft of hammer and brush, completed the group. Their home-made scenery is inexpensive and realistic. It can be repainted and used time and again to produce many different effects.

College men eager to develop ability along the lines of stagecraft are urged to join the Drama Workshop, their limited knowledge of nails and paint notwithstanding. Those experienced in landscaping and portrait painting are particularly in demand.

RELIGIOUS ENTER COMMUNITY AT SOLEMN MASS

Nineteen Make Profession.

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin is always a day of rejoicing for the entire Catholic world. For that small part of the world, the students for the Precious Blood Community who study at St. Joseph's, the day has a special appeal. Part of their group always make their temporary promise of fidelity to the community on Dec. 8.

This year the class numbered nineteen - Lawrence Nypaver, Earl Petit, Lawrence Cyr, Howard Lesch, Robert Siebenack, Paul Buehler, Anthony Ley, Donfred Stockert, Richard Doyle, Joseph Lima, George Charek, Adelbert Weber, Virgil Moegling, Vincent Schuster, William Kramer, Edward Wendeln, Raymond Seifert, Herbert Renner, and George Lubeley. They have given their solemn promise to remain loyal to the rules and regulations of the Community of the Precious Blood for three years. At the end of this time, while students of philosophy in the major seminary, they will renew this promise, making it perpetual, or if they should change their minds meanwhile about studying for the priesthood, they are then free to take up what other occupation or vocation they prefer.

Two Brothers, Brother Fred Bechtel and Brother Lawrence Wint, renewed their promise; one, Brother Henry Kosalko, made it for three years. One other student, William Dougherty, who had studied at St. Joseph's two years ago and later worked in a Chicago office, has returned to join the ranks of the community students. He was invested with the cassock.

Solemn High Mass sung in honor of the Blessed Virgin preceded the ceremonies of Profession and investiture. The Very Reverend Ignatius A. Wagner, Provincial of the Community of the Precious Blood, celebrated this Mass, assisted by Father Herbert Kramer, C.P.P.S., uncle of William Kramer, and Father Paul Speckbaugh, C.P.P.S. During the Mass all these young aspirants knelt in the sanctuary and received Holy Communion from the hands of their ecclesiastical superior.

At the opening of the ceremonies Father Wagner intoned the "Veni Creator," that song of invocation for light and strength to the Holy Spirit; the choir and candidates sang the hymn. Then the celebrant blessed the candles which the professed will in future wear as symbols of purity and consecration to God. Each next made or renewed his promise individually, placing his hand on the Holy Gospel as he did so. When all had received the cincture the entire congregation sang the "Te Deum" as an act of praise to the Eternal Father.

Father Wagner gave an inspiring exhortation on the spiritual benefits of supererogatory acts free-will by such a religious promise as had just been made.

These young men have made a truly decisive step on the road to their coveted goal, the priesthood. Later, as member of the Precious Blood Community, they will bear a great measure of the success of St. Joseph's. We pray that God will bless them in proportion to their sacrifice as we congratulate them.

SENIORS BEGIN PROSEMINAR COURSE

A course on thesis building on the undergraduate level is now being offered to the seniors as a preparation for writing their baccalaureate essays. They are studying methods of research and scholarship, becoming acquainted with the bibliography in their particular fields, and learning the fundamentals needed by a well-trained student.

HOLIDAY CAMPAIGN FOR SUBSCRIBERS

Increase Of 100 Goal Set

When the Thanksgiving recess rolled in, we did not bother you with requests for favors; we wanted you to enjoy the five days without having any responsibilities to mar that good time. But the Christmas Holidays are much longer. After the first few days, when you have met all your friends, gone to a dance or two, seen a show, and told the folks all the happenings of the past few weeks, you will be searching for something to do. The Christmas season is a generous one also.

So the editors have a suggestion. We know from your own admissions that you like your school paper, STUFF. Let every one of you make it his ambition to return, January fifth, with a new subscriber. Many of you know alumni who live near you and do not subscribe. See them. Talk it up. Take this copy along home with you to show them. Very few of them will refuse, for they too love St. Joe and want to know of the activities there.

Even friends of yours are potential subscribers. Give them the test of friendship. If they are the real, clinging variety, they will want to know about your school for their very interest in you.

Let's make the goal 100 NEW SUBSCRIBERS by January fifth!

Readers Prefer Doyle, Dickens

That the thrilling exploits of Sherlock Holmes are top-ranking favorites on the St. Joe campus, is proved by Father Paul Speckbaugh's newly compiled Library statistics on the popularity of various authors and their works.

Twenty-five times the works of A. Conan Doyle were read, while Dickens' David Copperfield, Tale of Two Cities, etc., ranked a close second in popular favor, with twenty-three withdrawals. Next, Zane Grey's realistic novels of the West were followed in near succession by the works of Dudley Stevenson, Knute Rockne and Fox. Curwood's northern stories likewise are well liked. Gone With the Wind, by Margaret Mitchell, is constantly in use, and has the longest waiting list of any volume in the library.

On the whole, literary appreciation in Collegeville is quite encouraging. True, many readers are ever in pursuit of mystery thrillers and sports stories, but a comforting number derive pleasure from strongly established authors such as Dudley, Cather, Davis and their like.

Altogether too dormant on the shelves, though, is an abundance of fine reading. Students often forget many of the greatest motion pictures are based on books available at the mere filling of a card. The Talisman, Scarlet Letter, Captains Courageous and The Gold Bug, by such sterling writers as Scott, Hawthorne, Kipling and Poe, are fairly clamouring for use. Let's use them!

ALUMNI ESSAY CONTEST

Annually, the St. Joseph's College Alumni Association donates a Gold Medal for the best-written essay submitted to a committee of three who are appointed each spring at the Alumni Banquet. All students-members of the high school department as well as of the college department are eligible to enter this contest. The contest closes April 1, 1938. Further details will be announced later. Choose your subject now and begin to work on it.

RECENT WORKS ADDED LIBRARY IN NOVEMBER

References Bulk Of Purchase

Already the possessor of a formidable collection of fiction, periodicals, biographies and reference books, the Library has made recently several important purchases to serve faculty and students to a still greater advantage. These new volumes cover every field of study, and their acquisition is in accordance with a long-standing tradition of St. Joseph's that an expansive, well-balanced library is a necessity.

Two desirable collections were obtained, namely, the eight-volume Encyclopedia of Social Sciences, and the Dictionary of America Biography. The Encyclopedia, fresh from the press, is used as a modern means of research into any subject pertaining to economics, history, sociology and their like. More than 13,000 individual biographies of prominent Americans, now deceased, are contained in the new Dictionary.

Especially useful to the pre-meds are Principles of Bacteriology and Immunity by Topley and Wilson, and Grace White's Textbook of General Biology.

For the man who likes to spend a quiet evening reading good fiction, books have been purchased also. Song at the Scaffold by Gertrude von le Fort, and Brother Petroc Returns by S.M.C., are two which have already experienced active service during their short period of use.

Mind you, readers, these are only the new books. Besides those mentioned, there are shelves upon shelves of up-to-date fiction (Continued on Page 2)

TWINS, BROTHERS AT ST. JOE

There are four sets of twins on the campus. In the College there are the Posey brothers, Ed and Paul; while in the high school there are:

Gerald and Harold Rder, Cletus and Clemens Reymann. Paul and George Kochis. Besides these twins, however, there are many brothers. Here is the entire list:
Ted and Ben Staudt.
Kihm and Jacques Burrell.
Arthur and Bernard Flood.
Robert and Aloys Clark.
Albert and Lyle Latendresse.
Albert and his twin brothers, Cletus and Clemens Reymann.
John and Joseph Cunningham.
Albert and Eugene Jaeger.
Albert and Raymond Schraff.
James and Thomas Concanon.
Charles and Francis Mahoney.

Who Of You Were Homesick?

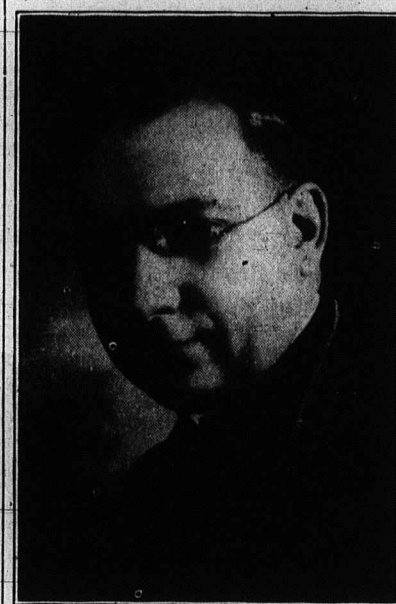
"Can such things be, And overcome us like a summer's cloud,

Without our special wonder?" Percy Smith, weight 198 pounds; height, six feet, one inch, was homesick. Forward and captain of the basketball team, he was a star athlete. Percy was the last person in the world one would expect to be homesick. Yet it was true; after returning from Thanksgiving vacation he was overcome by a sudden obsession for home which left room for no other interests.

No one ever thought of calling the hero Percy; in fact, very few students on the campus ever suspected that he possessed this traditionally sissified label. On the campus he was known as "Butch," where he was the idol of the entire freshman class almost.

Butch (as we shall call him from now on without using quotation marks) did not know that every other student in the school felt just as he did; consequently, he was possessed by a feeling of acute isolation, which made him as lonely as if he were lost in a town such as Rem... (skip it). Butch, the strong, silent type (hold your hats, girls), suffered in silence. Only by his

Annual Retreat Held Dec. 4-8



The Rev. C. B. Ernst, C.P.P.S.,
Retreat Master

Six Pre-Meds Take Entrance Exam

Express Appreciation

One of those really difficult tests that appear occasionally on a college campus, was submitted December 3 to six pre-med students under the direction of Father Kroeckel, professor of Biology. Despite cramped arms and weary minds following the strenuous two-hour ordeal, the entrants expressed appreciation, as the test should be taken by those expecting to apply for entrance to a medical school before fall, 1938.

Arranged and compiled by a committee of the American Medical schools, the 395 questions were separated into seven divisions, covering visual memory, general information, logical reasoning, scientific terminology, etc. To succeed, the student found it necessary to be alert not only biologically, but on points touching world affairs, history, literature, mathematics and Latin as well. Results measure ability to master material similar to that presented by institutions of advanced medicine. Naturally the quiz proved the scientific background and ability of the student to draw logical conclusions from given data.

Pre-meds who were examined are: Arthur Daniel, Louis Matlin, William Mauch, Burch Merritt, Theodore Staudt and Joseph Westhoven.

Father Cyril B. Ernst Gives Conferences

"Of the seven retreats that I have made as a student, this one was the best," expressed one of the seniors, complimenting the Rev. Cyril B. Ernst, C.P.P.S., retreat master. Not all the boys and young men can speak from so much experience, but all of them, whether they have made one or more retreat in their lives here or elsewhere, agree that Father Ernst's sermons and conferences were at least among the best that they have ever heard. In speaking to a group whose ages covered a rather wide range he was very skillful in using illustrations which brought home his points in a very clear manner. He explained the laws of God and of the Church in such a way as to give the students a realization of what is to confront them in their later life. The general theme of his series of lectures was the need for men of high Catholic principles in the world today. Very pleasant and forceful on the pulpit, he imparted to his listeners the spirit of the retreat from the very beginning.

The retreat opened Saturday evening at eight o'clock. On Sunday and Monday the students attended five lectures, and on Tuesday, four, one of the afternoon conferences being dropped to give more time for confessions. The rest of the time, except for a recreation period after the midday meal, they spent in meditation, private devotion, and spiritual reading. At six-thirty Mass on Wednesday they all received Holy Communion.

Just before the Solemn High Mass on Wednesday Father Ernst gave the closing address in which he expressed his appreciation to the students for the fine spirit which they had shown.

Father Ernst studied at St. Joseph's from 1915 to 1921. He was ordained at the Precious Blood Seminary, Carthage, Ohio, in 1927. When he had gathered his excellent store of experience in parish work he received his appointment to the mission band. He now makes his headquarters at the Precious Blood Mission House in Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Father Candon To Leave Hospital

Appearing to be in robust health, but his voice still very weak after the two severe throat operations he underwent during the summer and early autumn, Father Bernard Candon visited St. Joseph's, where previous to early May he had taught for so many years, this past Saturday and Sunday. Genial as always, he went from room to room, paying each of his fellow professors a short, welcome visit.

Father stated that some time during this week he will leave for San Antonio, Texas where he will be a guest at the College of the Incarnate Word. He is going South to enjoy the balmy climate, which we pray, will rapidly restore the complete use of his voice.

SIDE WALK COMPLETED

Drexel Hall is now linked to the main campus by a cement sidewalk approximately a quarter of a mile in length. If it isn't as picturesque as the old path that formerly flanked the driveway, it is much more practical. The upper classmen walk high and dry while the snows of December scurry about; next spring when the thaw comes, they will continue to walk high and dry.

St. Joe Skaters Enjoy Winter Sport

These biting early winter days have kept the lake frozen constantly. As soon as the ice was thick enough skating enthusiasts, of whom there is a goodly number, were out to test their skill and gracefulness, or lack of that coveted quality. We are sorry our photographer did not catch the lovers of the sport in action; if you use your imagination and dot the accompanying picture with fifty or more lithe, whirling figures gliding in all directions, you will have a fair impression of the outdoor fashion in Collegeville at present.



Scene of Frolic

Every sport has its amateurs; those of skating sometimes furnish the best of the thrills. And no one is exempt. Even a star athlete - a varsity end in football, and a first-string basketballer - became a "fall guy." Of course it was a gust of the mean old wind which took his feet out from under him and sent him sprawling, so we are not blaming him at all.

While the majority prefer to strap funny metal contraptions on their feet and glide all over the lake, there are those who contend that plain old shoe leather is good enough for them. Both sides have their weak and strong points. The ones who use skates have greater freedom of movement; those who just slide have to keep their legs rigid or else. To put on skates requires time and trouble; to just plain slide needs only a good run -

the faster the run, the longer the slide.

Practically all of the residents of Drexel Hall belong to the latter group. They contend that there is nothing like a good slide before and after a meal to tone you up. This also saves them the trouble of walking around the lake.

To which school of the sport do you belong? There can be no neutrality on the question; it is a fight - until the ice melts. Perhaps a debate can be arranged between the two parties. The proceeds, if any, will go to the winner. If the skaters are victorious they can have their skates sharpened; if the sliders come out ahead they can have their shoes resoled.

Armory To Feature Amateur Hour Series

Who says there is anything wrong with a small town? Harken, to this, you who hail from the big cities, and then see whether you have reason to make comparisons unfavorable to our forward little center of activity, Rensselaer. Rensselaer is to have an Amateur Hour; four of them, in fact, and as you will not be here at the time to participate you will be missing something that most probably your native city will not offer during the Christmas holidays.

On Dec. 23, 30, and Jan. 6, this Amateur Hour and Talent Contest will be held. The final will follow, Jan. 13, when prizes of \$15, \$10, and \$5 will be given to those who are judged most excellent. Special prizes will be given to all participants on the earlier dates.

This project sponsored by our buzzing little metropolis is an excellent idea.

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THE GUTTER OF ALL PLACES

In South Bend recently a branch of the National Council of Catholic Women demanded that druggists and news stand operators discontinue the sale of obscene and salacious magazines. The Crusade was soon taken up by the "Sunday Visitor." The excellent activities of these women and the "Visitor" cannot be too highly praised. For to long has there been a crying need for war against magazines and periodicals of this nature; printed matter that is calculated to completely destroy what Catholic education and character training so beautifully build up.

Now, as Catholic college students what should be our place in the war? The need for every college student to join is evident. Our place is in the front-line trenches of the battle because every foundation lies in our make-up as Catholic students. Our background of life demands it. The teachings of our parents, above all, our mothers, the example of our sisters, and our background of training in Catholic institutions demand that we lead the way. Our future, too lay the same claim Surely we expect to be real Catholic laymen; we hope some day to be the leaders for militant Catholic laity. We will want our families to look to us as examples of noble living. Our position is thus made clear. Obviously we must effectively oppose now anything that may jeopardize our future.

Moreover, our present status presupposes a repudiation of this kind of reading material. We must rebel against it. Our mind, absorbs culture, goodness, truth, beauty. It rejects and abhors all that is opposed to culture, truth, goodness or beauty. We are interested in everything uplifting! In history we seek the answer to events and movements of nations in the Providence of God; in science we search the test tubes and microscopes for the facts of nature; in literature we read of men and women, idealizations of man, God's noblest Creature; in philosophy, the greatest of all learning, we study all things in their ultimate cause. Ours is a refining of the will. Catholic education is complete only when the formation of the will is included. When education is complete our will is master of our bodies - our imagination, emotions, and passions.

If we hope to be real Catholic students we must learn effectively to seek our final end - the salvation of our souls. We must, therefore, not only not read salacious literature; we must oppose its sale and spread to the utmost of our ability.

PEACE

Once again Hosannas ring out the Christmas tiding of centuries ago, "Peace on earth to men of good will." Year after year our Carols tell the Bethlehem tale of the Prince of Peace.

Meanwhile we, the sons of proud fathers, follow the herd with its pomp and ceremony, singing about peace and wishing for it, yet secretly wondering how soon the way will be found. Earnestly we hope that the Roman God of War crumbles upon his tottering foundation so that an end may come to the murder and misery that is man's tribute to a pagan deity. What do we do?

After all these centuries we finally realize that God promised peace only to men of good will. Lame and weary we turn from the fanfare of bugles to hear the voice that says: "Do justice one to another and

College Keyhole Column

Jack Fisher may find out that he is in trouble when he gets home... he has dates with two girls on the same night at two different dances...

"Arty Teddy" Daniel has started a ladies' apparel shop in his room in Drexel Hall... it is rumored that Bob Alcorn is the backer of the organization... incidentally, Paul Gillig is the model...

ALUMNI

If you have any pictures that you took of your classmates while you were in school, Kolumn would appreciate it very much if you send them in for the paper. The picture that appears will give you an idea of the type we want.

A DAY AT THE RACES



John Foreman and his horse. Play Boy

Joe Smith, the Pittsburg Panther, had a very exciting time during the Thanksgiving vacation... we are told that he took up the art of handling firearms... how about letting the boys see the targets you hit, Joe...

Drexel Hall needs a new house detective... Jake "Philo" Moran isn't what he used to be...

What's all this about Bud Young writing to a certain girl in Springfield, Ohio... he has never been there, so there must be a little story behind it...

The upper classmen have a live mouse trap... its name is "Butts"... for derivation of this name see early issues of STUFF.

Why is it that the residents of Science Hall are looking forward to this being a successful fifth-year high school term... some of the fellows say that the cause of it is the town nite Sunday last... cheer up, boys, you might get a few breaks before the year is over... maybe.

Lost—the red flannels of George Cross...

After the last issue of STUFF came out, Al Latendresse was seriously considering making the publication office into a fort...

Can anyone answer the question Langan gave the Kolumn... "Birds fly. Why?"

The hit of the dedication program Saturday evening was Ed. Ernst, Jr., aged three. And was he happy when the cheer leader gave him all those balloons!

OPEN LETTER TO SANTA

Dear Santa: Since this is the last issue before Christmas I would like to ask you a few favors. The

have charity in your hearts; then contentment shall come to you.

The rule "Do Justice" is explained by Charles Fenwick in his pamphlet, A Primer of Peace. "It means that the nations must respect their mutual rights and fulfill their mutual duties to one another." Countries today are no longer isolated units but are bound together in much the same way that members of a family are. We are all children of God, to work for His honor and glory.

But if nations are to respect one another's rights, we as individuals must, first respect our neighbor as another human being regardless of his class or nationality. "Pretty phrases and wistful dreams will never effect a genuine peace. Education and action in this direction are essential," says Elizabeth Sweeney. Unless we do our part the youth of today will be the Flanders Field of tomorrow, I sincerely fear.

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boys having been good this year. I think you should send them suitable gifts. Please fill my list by sending—

Tippmann—A Jar of Vaseline.
Nemetz—A Foot in Height.
A Certain Basketball Manager—A Start Watch.

Beach—A Box Car for his pipes.

Enz—Two feet in height.

Firestone—A springboard... to be used when he is cheer leader.

McNamara—An alarm clock to use when he substitutes.

Raleigh Club at Drexel—A light bulb.

Assuring you all these boys will appreciate their gifts, I remain

Dutifully yours,
Kolumn

P. S. If you have no springboards a reducing belt will do.

MY CHRISTMAS GIFT
Twas the night before Christmas
When all through the shack
No creature was stirring
But alas and alack!

My stocking I hung
By the chimney with fright,
For I wanted a joke book.
From Santa that night.
Ma got her present - she sorter knew

What would be in her stocking;
Pa thought the same, too.

But I, so crestfallen,
Said: "Shucks, it's a sin—
There was nary a joke
To make my readers grin!"

Science Club Meet Dec. 10

Mattingly Discusses, Foley Experiments.

The last meeting of the Alpha Mu, St. Joseph's new science club, was the most interesting one of the year. Mr. Louis Mattingly, in a discussion of bacteriology brought out the fine points of the study in a very interesting fashion. After the speech he answered all the questions that the members asked. If all the speeches are of the calibre of Mr. Mattingly's the success of the club is certain.

Mr. William Foley performed an experiment which was of great interest to all present. By mixing a few liquids in a beaker, a light was produced which was great enough to read the print of a magazine. The light, which is commonly called "cold light" is produced without the evolution of heat.

The next meeting of the society will be January 13.

WHO OF YOU

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With fiendish laughter he said to the class, "You may answer any five questions." (In dramatizing this story, these words are spoken in a slow, sepulchral tone).

Butch, quick-witted lad that he was, figured out that what the wolf in sheep's clothing meant was to answer all five of the questions. The time was to be a half hour. But did this faze our hero? Did this break down his will? Did this cause him to tremble in the least? Sad to say, it did!

You see, due to his serious condition, Butch had neglected to study since his return from home. Being unprepared for the demon's attack, stronghearted though he was, he fell from his desk in a dead faint. (Examination of conscience now in order. (Dots denote lapse of time).

And now our handsome hero, Butch, has recovered from his home-sickness. The smirking villain has lost his muck and believe it or not (apologies to someone), Butch will pass trigonometry. As no one had ever done before, he snapped out of it and has become his smiling self again.

From this little parable you should take an example. If you are in such a condition as was Butch, you may have hopes of recovery, though the chances are very slight. But what Butch can do, you can do. (This is definitely not the moral of the story).

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SENIOR SCANDAL

Who has the most engaging grin on the campus? Who is famous for his stale jokes? Who is noted for his superior ability in all sports and for his outstanding sportsmanship? Who is one of the most popular and well-liked men on the campus?

Of course you all know the answer by this time—it's Dick Scharf. But here's something about Dick that we'll bet you didn't know. Dick is a ladies' man! Yes sir! Just recently this fact was brought to light by a letter. What strange power is this he has over the fairer sex? The fact that the girl in question is his niece does not alter the circumstances.

We do not feel that we do wrong in publishing this letter. After all, Dick's private life should belong to his public. The letter is as follows: Dear Dickie: I went to Columbus with Grandma and Louise, it was such a long ride. I saw all the Christmas toys too. There was one big building which had burned. It was the five and ten cent store. I was so sick on the way. But please do not worry about me. I am lots and lots better. The baby can walk. She can play the piano. It was such a rainy day. We had to go get Grandpa he had to go to a meeting. Cy and Frances got a new little nephew. He is a little baby boy. Do not worry Grandma got the flower seed you sent her. I am going to send you a box of food.

On my report card I got a B in English and a C in Arithmetic and A in all the rest. I will try better the next time. Charlene and Rose Mary said hello. I must go to bed now, goodbye. Mary Jo.

WITH OUR ALUMNI

"I hear it by the way" that some subscribers to STUFF have expressed concern because our business manager did not acknowledge by letter their subscription. Doubtless, that would be the more business-like method, but our manager is besides a very thorough student of accounting. When next June he graduates to the position of business manager of the New York Times or some other newspaper of national recognition and has nothing else to do, you may depend on it, he will send a special letter of appreciation to every man, woman, or child who subscribes. The Times doesn't.

Here is your acknowledgement—open and straightforward: if your canceled check was returned, you may take it for granted that we received, and recorded your subscription. If you are receiving STUFF, we hope that you are enjoying it. If you don't receive it, don't spend three cents to inform us; write a government post card with your complaint, and we will check our files immediately, send you the missing number or numbers, and see to it that in future you will have no reason to file complaint again.

The turkey that gobbled before Thanksgiving isn't gobbling any more. Neither are we that subscriptions are pouring in by the hundreds. We are still more than three hundred shy of the thousand mark we set some time ago. Elsewhere in this issue there's an appeal to the students, who are soon to go home for the Christmas holidays, to try to contact one alumnus and solicit one subscription. Subscribers! We make the same appeal to you. Everyone of you lives near another alumnus who does not subscribe. See him. Talk it up! That's what the coach says between halves of a game. We are nearing the half of this game of publishing STUFF. Get in there and fight! The opposition is lousy! You can get two of every three that you approach. It takes personal contact—nothing less or more. We depend on you to win the 1000 game for us—and you—by February first.

In a more sober vein (this is written at one A. M.), here's a note that's consoling: "Yes, it is good STUFF, and I am enclosing \$1.00 for my subscription." P. A. L. Who can guess the initials? Think of a certain laundry mark, and you will have a former prof - a real prof, too. By the

way, Pal, the quarterly came out today - a wee bit late, but that's all right, considering the quality of the journal. Under separate cover you will receive a copy. Your "Good Stuff" entitles you to a complimentary copy of the periodical. Only \$1.50 more will entitle you and all subscribers to STUFF to a year's subscription to both publications. Hurrah! That did it! Did it?

Back in student days (it is the faculty director who is dictating now) a certain student by the name of Joe once gave a selection in public speaking class. At a climatic point in his address he hurled out the word "Defiance!" Isn't that true, Father Raible? Or don't you remember? The following letter is from Joe, the Rev. Joseph I. Schill, also of Defiance, Ohio. "A word to express my enthusiasm for 'STUFF' as a check is being forwarded for the year's subscription. Every issue has been read in its entirety with delight. To you and your noble staff, congratulations and continued success."

"For one who has, as yet, not been able to return to St. Joe's 'Stuff' certainly fills a void. Until I have the pleasure of visiting the college be assured that news from the Alma Mater always comes to one who is interested in her welfare." Signed, J. I. Schill.

That pill is sugar coated. What matter that it is now 1:20 A.M. Reluctantly we turn to the disconcerting announcement that for three weeks after the homecoming game, Oct. 30, Mr. Joseph Lamere was confined with arthritis. We knew that you were suffering, Joe, when you attended the game, but we hoped that the victory would drive every 'acidosis bug into Lake Michigan to drown. On your feet again, big fellow, stay there.

And here hangs a tale that we failed to record at the time. Joe and his friend "Mac" stayed for supper after the game. Joe had with him his three sons, the eldest, aged eleven, Joe Junior. Other visitors were present - several of them. During the meal the conversation, if it lagged, was stepped up by said Joe Jr. "My father and 'Mac' have both been married thirteen years," he said, "and he has only one kid and my father has five." (Laughter). "Out of the mouths of infants and of... hath come..." At any rate, Joe Jr. completed: "If he wants to catch up with us he will have to have quintuplets." What's the refrain to that song? "So say we all of us! So say we all of us! SO SAY WE ALL OF US" at 1:30 A. M.

"Chick" Holland, who was a frequent campus visitor when he lived in Lafayette, has moved to Troy, Ohio. You should have written to us, "Chick," that you have a baby daughter. Now that we know, Congratulations!

The Rev. George Spaeth, C.P.P.S., was a welcome guest over the week-end of Dec. 5. His visit was inopportune in that the column editor being in retreat, failed to contact him for an interview. We will appreciate a letter, Father, dealing with your work among the Mexicans in Kansas.

St. Augustine's parish in Rensselaer will hold its annual bazaar on the evenings of Dec. 15 and 16. Father Nicholas Grewe, C.P.P.S., the pastor, invites all students and faculty to attend. He has a lot of stuff to give away if you are lucky at the old spinning wheel. He says, too, that it will be a bizarre affair.

Down at the Catholic University the Rev. Paul J. Knapke, '29, is writing a thesis on "The Church and State during the Era of Frederick Barbarossa." That contribution to scholarship should be enlightening when it is finished next March.

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and reference books, together with outstanding periodicals and daily newspapers from Chicago and New York. The College is justly proud of its carefully selected Library. Custodian Father Lutkemeier and his capable corps of assistants are always on hand to answer your every need. Since you are paying for this worthy service, why not take advantage of it? Develop the reading habit and watch it develop you!

FOLLOW THE FLICKERS

A Column Written To Give St. Joe Students A Few Advance Notices Concerning Motion Pictures Soon To Be Shown At Rensselaer Theatres.

At the Ritz Wednesday, Dec. 15:

"Big Town Girl," starring Claire Trevor supported by Alan Dinehart, Donald Woods and Alan Baxter, is an exciting tale of Hiding from her husband, a bank robber who has escape from prison and who wants her to flee with him, Miss Trevor disguises herself and finds work singing at the music counter of a five-and-ten cent store.

In a thrilling climax, surrounded by the swirling flood waters of a raging river, the picture reaches a tense, exciting ending that leaves the audience fairly breathless.

At the Palace Sunday, Dec. 19:

Irene Dunne and Cary Grant in "The Awful Truth" afford theatre audiences another of those refreshing, laugh-packed comedies. Filmed by Columbia, who also were responsible for "It Happened One Night" and Mr. Deeds Goes to Town, "The Awful Truth" presents Miss Dunne and Mr. Grant in the best work of their meteoric careers, according to sharp-eyed critics.

It is a story about two wealthy young married folks who get a ninety-day interlocutory divorce decree while in a huff, but manage after amusing complications to invalidate it after mutual consent and cooperation, a split-second before midnight of the ninetieth day. We feel it our pressing duty to make known to our readers that this picture, although lively, modern, and dealing with adult affairs, has nothing of the vulgar touch, and is heartily recommended for General Patronage.

If you are one of those calloused and experienced movie goers who think that the quick succession of modern comedies released this season in becoming a trifle tiring, then label "The Awful Truth" as the best of the lot. Even the usually harsh Hollywood preview audience evoked a response that seems to indicate that this cinemasterpiece is definitely a record breaker.

At the Ritz Sunday, Dec. 19:

"The Firefly," featuring Jeanette MacDonald Allan Jones and Warren Williams, is based on the great stage production of the same name, and is a combination of music and drama that has had theatre fans the world over anxiously awaiting this famous film. The story makes no sacrifice for music, although there are seven outstanding musical numbers sung in "The Firefly," five of which were retained from the original Rudolph Friml operetta. Mr. Friml himself composed the remaining two especially for the screen version.

Critics everywhere are raving that this romantic musical is far ahead of anything yet produced in the industry. The dramatic story of Spain in the era when Napoleon was conquered at Vittoria by Wellington provides a moving plot as vast and impressive as any that could be filmed. Artistically, it provides a vehicle for the Friml score that thrilled the audience.

Jeanette McDonald appears in her seventeenth musical triumph, and it is unmistakably her finest. Allan Jones emerges as a star in his own right. Warren Williams performs with his accustomed ability.

Filmed in the high Sierras and on thirty tremendous sets, the picture reveals a background of unsurpassed beauty. Dramatically and musically it is superb. The same two men who produced and directed last year's Academy-Award-winning flickers, "The Great Ziegfeld," again combine their abilities here.

It becomes immediately evident from this imposing array of production talent that Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer has spared nothing of its lavish resources in making one of the outstanding musical pictures of all time.

The sizeable number of students and faculty here at St. Joe who are true proponents of drama and fine music are certain to thoroughly enjoy every inch of the 13,500 feet of celluloid contained in "The Firefly," a two and one-half hour feature. To hear again such lasting musical masterpieces as "Giannina Mia" and "Sympathy" sung and played by inspired artists is a satisfaction that the average theatre-goer rarely experiences. We won't miss this one!

ST. JOE UPSETS VAUNTED CENTRAL NORMAL, 49-33

Cardinals Down Concordia, 40-30, In First Game On Home Floor

Mechalewicz Scores Sixteen Points

If a Cardinal player was not the first to make history for himself by scoring the first point to be recorded on the new electric indicator, the team combined to win a victory in the game which followed immediately the ceremony of unveiling. Concordia College of Ft. Wayne came, and when that team clashes with St. Joe the spectators know that the game will be thrilling. It was exciting, almost spectacular. The teams were both in excellent condition; St. Joe was not the St. Joe it had been two evenings before. Everyone was in the contest, fighting to the limit of human endurance.

Both teams started the game with confidence of victory; both held this attitude throughout the periods of play. In the last minutes, with a ten-point lead against them, Concordia fought desperately to close the gap—fought, and went down to defeat fighting. Although the Cards led their opponents throughout the battle, the visitors made several bids to acquire that lead. Only the vigorous offensive and defensive plays of the home squad could hold them in check.

Badke, steady St. Joe forward, stood out prominently, especially in the first half. Although he missed a number of shots, he scored eight of the fourteen points collected during that period. Weber and Daniels played brilliantly to hold up Concordia's end of things.

Michalewicz, Yocis, and Petit were the Cards' principal defensive machine, McCarthy, although he fouled out quickly, showed the Concordia players meanwhile that there wasn't a hole in their guarding too small for him to slip through. He is a blaze of speed. Scharf played his usual persistent, accurate forward position, showing the effects of his football injury only by the fact that he tired too easily.

At the half the score stood: St. Joe, 14; Concordia, 11. Within the first ten minutes of the second period the visitors made their most threatening attempt to forge ahead, when the score mounted to 23-21 respectively. From then on the Cards skipped up the ladder and stayed a comfortable distance in the lead. The final score read: St. Joe, 40; Concordia, 30.

STATISTICS

Concordia College			
	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.
Weber, f	2	2	0
Schnedler, f	3	2	3
Daniel, c	3	0	4
Heine, g	1	6	2
Buuck, g	1	0	2
Klementik, c	0	0	0
Totals	10	10	11
St. Joseph's			
	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.
Scharf, f	4	2	2
Badke, f	4	2	1
Petit, c	1	1	2
Yocis, g	0	0	4
Jones, g	0	0	1
Michalewicz, f	7	2	2
Lesch, f	0	0	0
Thurek, c	0	0	0
McCarthy, g	0	0	4
Richert, g	0	1	3
Totals	16	8	19
Referee—Elter; Umpire—Wise.			

High School Vs. Huntington Precedes Concordia Affray

Second Half Rally Wins 32-20 For Visitors.

The first game of Saturday evening, Dec. 11, was a display of high school sportsmanship beautiful to see. Two teams that take the sport as they take their Wheaties were matched on the St. Joe home floor, the quintet of St. Mary's, Huntington, Indiana, against the Junior Cardinals. True, the officials' decisions were excellent, but even so, when two evenly matched quintets, determined to win, clash, especially when the tables turn as they did in this battle, it isn't too surprising to see a spark or two now and then. Evidently, none of these boys have a yellow streak; they take victory or defeat in the same sportsmanlike manner. And it is a question whether the one or the other requires the greater amount of manliness.

Meagher began the scoring for St. Joe when he arched a shot from the court after he and his mates had displayed some faultless passing. St. Mary's offensive playing was at a standstill; their zone type of defense, however, was so perfect that the home boys had to rely on long shots. They made enough of these to hold a 13-4 advantage at half time.

Like a whirlwind, Huntington was off in the second period. Breaking through the Cards' defense they piled score on score, blocking perfectly and passing superbly. The St. Joe boys were not idle the while as they saw their margin of advantage diminish. By scoring five points in the third quarter they managed to retain their lead. Early in the fourth, however, they list it while the visitors continued to climb. Ormsby's basket in this period was the only scoring thrust of the Cards.

The Junior Cardinals gained only seven points in the second half; St. Mary's, twenty-eight. Say, if you prefer slang, that the latter got hot; call it team work if you will. The rally staged by the Huntington boys was undoubtedly the greatest ever displayed by a high school team on the St. Joe court. When time finally ended it the score stood: St. Mary's, 32; St. Joe, 20.

STATISTICS

St. Mary's			
	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.
Never, f	1	0	1
Zahn, f	5	3	4
M. Siemik, c	6	0	3
J. Siemik, g	1	0	2
Keefe, g	0	0	0
Dalton, f	1	1	0
Totals	14	4	10
St. Joe			
	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.
J. Eder, f	0	2	3
Meagher, f	1	1	1
H. Eder, c	1	4	2
Ormsby, g	3	0	2
Gerstbauer, g	1	0	0
Hayden, f	0	0	0
McNamara, f	0	0	0
Kochis, g	0	1	2
Totals	6	8	10

HIGH SCHOOL QUINTET LOSES TO C. C. H. S. 29-28

Junior Cards Nosed Out In Battle Of Fouls

In a hard-fought, fast, exciting game the junior Cardinals lost to Catholic Central of Hammond, Friday evening, Dec. 3, by the small margin of one point. Not only the weather was foul—rain every inch of the way to and from the contest in Hammond; fouls were so numerous in the game that it almost seemed the referees were advertising an entirely new brand of basketball. The St. Joe quintet had twenty-five called on them; the home team, sixteen. While the latter failed to capitalize on these free throws, making only five points in all, the Cards' aim was deadly; they piled up twelve counters, averaging three out of every four attempts to score. In the second quarter alone they registered seven points on charity tosses.

From the first moment of play until even after the last second the game was exciting. Catholic Central took the lead and held it throughout the first half. At the end of the first quarter the score was 6-2; at the half, 11-9. The Cards had begun to climb; they tied the score, 17-17, during the third quarter. During the fourth the race was neck and neck, first one team, then the other, being out in front by a point or two. Determined to win, the St. Joe boys tried to protect their one point advantage by passing as the last minute of play approached. Unfortunately, the ball went out of bounds and into Catholic Central possession by the referee's decision. It was now only a matter of seconds. The ball was dribbled down the floor, got into the hands of Wleklinski, who sunk a one-handed shot from the extreme right side of the court to win for Catholic Central, 29-28.

The Cards were handicapped in that the low ceiling over the court made it extremely difficult for them to gauge their long shots. In my opinion the score would have been decidedly different had it not been for this. However, this is yet to be seen. They have two chances to even matters up when they meet the Hammond squad on our own floor in the near future.

Probably both teams were at a disadvantage because of that new rule of basketball which eliminates the center jump except at the beginning of the two halves, after a technical foul, and at the start of overtimes. For the 1937-1938 season after one team scores the other team gains possession of the ball underneath their own basket. This requires endurance almost more than human.

STATISTICS

Catholic Central of Hammond			
	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.
Beckham, f	1	0	2
Wleklinski, f	1	2	2
Moser, c	3	0	2
Bubala, g	0	0	1
Krol, (Capt.)	1	1	1
Thompson, f	2	0	2
Phillips, f	1	1	2
Fleming, g	1	0	0
Phillips A., f	2	1	0
Totals	12	5	12
St. Joseph High School			
	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.
Meagher, c	3	2	3
Eder G., f	1	2	3
Factor, f	0	1	3
Eder H. (Capt.), g	0	4	4
Ormsby, g	2	2	3
Hayden, c	1	0	1
MacNamara, f	0	1	1
Gerstbauer, g	1	0	3
Totals	8	12	21
Time out: St. Joseph 3; Catholic Central, 2.			

College Cagers Open Season At Valparaiso

Team Loses 37-34 In Final Minute

In a game that during most of the first half looked like a shoot-to-miss contest, the College Cardinals lost to the Uhlans of Valparaiso University, by the small margin of three points, Thursday evening, Dec. 9. Both teams began the fray cautiously, neither seeming as yet sufficiently confident under the new regulations of basketball this season. After ten minutes of play the score stood at six and seven, St. Joe being in the lead. When six minutes of the half remained it was tied at eight points. There St. Joe called time out to plan their further attack, and came back to furnish the speed which made the rest of the battle look like a ball game. The score began to climb until it was eighteen all at the end of the first half. It had been tied and untied alternately by both teams all along the way, and for that matter, during the second half also. Such a score might suggest that the game was a thriller; it wasn't—there were too many ragged shots and too much inferior passing to merit that distinction. By the quality of speed alone after the greater part of the first half was over it was saved from becoming uninteresting.

St. Joe registered first on Badke's two fouls shots. On a fast break the Valpo boys quickly retaliated. The game was under way slowly. The entire first half may be characterized by saying that the Cards controlled the ball for the most part, failing to score because of poor shooting and some really unlucky shooting; the Uhlans scored on their fast break on return play because of inferior guarding.

The second half was a repetition of the first, even to the slow,

SCOREBOARD

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ly were lustily applauded by all. The song men remaining in formation, Father Roof introduced Mr. Edward Ernst, President of the Alumni Association, a graduate in 1913. In a clear and direct manner he told of the Association's decision to present the score board to the school and reminisced briefly on his student life at St. Joseph's. Cameras flashed as Mr. Ernst's three-year-old son, Edward Jr., alias Mickey and Sonny Boy, pulled the cord which unveiled the score board. Cheers and loud applause thundered to the rafters when the students first caught glimpse of this appreciated recording device. Rising, the entire crowd sang the words of the Fight Song. The glee clubs then marched off the floor with the same air of military precision which had characterized all of their maneuvers. The group of spectators cheered mightily for them and for the basketball game with Concordia College which followed immediately.

The new score board, a Nevo Electric, was manufactured by the Nevingen Manufacturing Company of Greenville, Illinois, and purchased from Loew and Campbell of Chicago. The cost, including all accessories, was approximately \$300.00.

ATHLETIC ASS'N HOLDS TOURNEY

A Badminton tournament, under the auspices of the Athletic Association has been organized. The tournament promises to bring to light many examples of hidden talent. Perhaps it will serve to stimulate interest among the students who have not as yet felt a leaning toward this newly introduced pastime. The sport seems to be rich in possibilities for indoor winter exercise either for young or old. The current tournament is being run as economically as possible so as to present it for a very moderate fee. In all probability the results will be known before the Christmas Holidays.

unsteady start, until the last five minutes of play. Jones made the first two points; Yocis added another basket. But Valpo did not lag behind. Almost basket for basket the teams matched each other, until when the clock had ticked away full fifteen minutes and the score was tied at twenty-seven, there was a sudden spurge of Uhlans offensive which netted six points in quick succession. Three minutes to play. Dick Scharf entering the contest at this point, acted as a stabilizing agent. He arched a shot beautifully to pierce the net and seemed to help Badke to gauge his aim; for the latter dropped one and then another through the hoop to tie the score again, 33 - 33. A foul shot by Valpo and another by St. Joe kept it tied, 34 - 34. The warning light flashed on as the Uhlans took possession of the ball. Sixty seconds; one-half minute; fifteen seconds! Eggold slipped in a follow-up shot to shove his team ahead. He intercepted a pass to wreck the Cards' only chance. A final foul, shot with steady aim, hit the mark as the game ended, Valpo, 37; St. Joe, 34.

STATISTICS

Valparaiso			
	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.
Bauer (F)	3	1	0
Roedel (F)	0	0	0
Ruehr (C)	4	1	3
Eggold (G)	3	3	2
Krenzke (G)	1	0	1
McCullough (F)	0	1	2
Kenney (F)	3	3	1
Total	14	9	8
St. Joe			
	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.
Michalewicz (F)	1	0	3
Badke (F)	4	3	1
Petit (C)	2	2	2
Yocis (G)	3	0	4
Jones (G)	1	0	3
Richert (F)	0	0	3
Scharf (F)	1	1	0
Thurek (F)	0	0	0
Lesch (G)	2	0	1
Doyle (G)	0	0	1
Total	14	6	18

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Junior Cards Take Central Normal Prelim

By a score of 27 to 18, the Junior Cardinals defeated the Rensselaer B team last evening. The Rensselaer team led at the end of the first half by a score of 11 to 8, but the St. Joseph's High School team came back during the last period of the game with a rally that their opponents could not break.

This battle served as a preliminary to the Central Normal, St. Joseph's College game.

Band, Octet Perform During Intermission

St. Joe fans had an evening packed full of entertainment at the Armory last night. When the teams were not in action either the college band or octet filled in the interlude. Theirs, we might say, referring to the quality and choice of their selections, was a "you get more than your money's worth" bid to all who risked limb and neck on the ice-glazed streets to come.

STATISTICS

Central Normal			
	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.
Williams, (G)	1	2	2
Scott, (F)	1	3	3
Roudebush, (C)	3	2	3
Wallace, (G)	0	1	0
Decker, (G)	1	1	1
Hammond, (F)	0	1	0
Mahan, (F)	0	0	0
Long, (F)	0	0	1
Cobb, (C)	1	1	0
Overton, (C)	2	0	0
Pike, (G)	2	0	1
Jones, (G)	0	0	1
Totals	11	11	12

St. Joseph's			
	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.
Scharf, (F)	5	2	0
Michalewicz, (F)	1	1	1
Petit, (C)	6	2	1
Yocis, (G)	2	2	3
Jones, (G)	2	2	4
Badke, (F)	1	2	4
Lesch, (F)	1	0	1
Thurek, (C)	1	0	0
Kleinhenz, (C)	0	0	0
Richert, (G)	0	0	0
Monjon, (G)	0	0	0
Totals	19	11	14
Referee: Allen; Umpire: Guild Scorer: Nemetz; Timekeeper, Drilling, Terrell.			

League Teams Open Season

Basketball season is in full swing, not only as far as the varsities are concerned, but equally among the other students. In Drexel, Science, and Xavier Halls, the various leagues, having been formed, have picked their teams and begun practice. So have the high school boys their league. Even with so many leagues, considerable time is found for practice, and the varsity players are all on deck to coach the various teams.

Jones, Yocis, Badke Also Bulwarks

Rensselaer Armory Scene Of Thriller

In the most exciting and best played basketball game that the Cardinals have ever played they trampled over Central Normal of Danville, Indiana, last evening by a score of 49-33. Playing as they had never done before, the Cards surprised the highly vaunted visitors with a terrific charge at the very outset, a charge which they sustained throughout the contest. While Scharf and Petit rolled in basket after basket, Michalewicz, supported by Jones, Yocis and Badke, completely bewildered the fast-moving Central Normal quintet. Practically every play that the opponents tried was checked by the air-tight defense of these hard-fighting men. The Rensselaer Armory, filled with townsfolk and students, roared with cheers as the St. Joe squad, for the first time in its basketball competition with this team, tied the small lead of the visitors and began to climb.

Central Normal ran up a four-point lead in the first minutes when Roudebush and Williams tossed the ball through the hoop. St. Joe overcame this early lead in a flash; Petit swished the net three times in succession, and from then on the Cards were ahead to stay. Scharf followed Petit's example with an exact duplicate; Jones tallied another two points, and Petit scored again. In little more time than it takes to relate it, the score stood: St. Joe, 18; Central Normal, 7. The Cards were playing ball - faking, blocking, passing, shooting, hitting. Before the half ended Coach Leitzman substituted four of his second-stringers for his tiring regulars. Fresh as these were, they were no better match for the dauntless Cards, who finished the initial period with a score double that of their opponents. St. Joe, 26; Central Normal, 13.

Jones scored first in the second half on a free throw. Roudebush added a basket from the floor for Central. Then Scharf and Petit each made six points which were spaced intermittently by free throws of Williams and Roudebush of Central. The game, which had evidenced dash at the beginning of this half, with Central Normal temporarily controlling the ball, and then as suddenly slowed down, now became a pronouncedly rough-and-tumble scramble, with fouls and free throws predominating. Its fierce speed told heavily on the regulars of both teams, and substitutes rapidly replaced them. By the time the score had reached 43-21 proportion, and there were approximately eight minutes remaining, two almost entirely new teams were competing. These were perhaps more evenly matched than the squads that preceded them. Central Normal gained six points on the margin of advantage of the Cards during these final minutes, the tempo of the game meanwhile being set by the hard-pressing visitors. When the melee ended the score stood: St. Joe, 49; Central Normal, 33.

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An already difficult task was made hazardous when winter stalked in to add the element of benumbed fingers and toes. Still the work of repairing the insulation for the pipe line leading up to the large supply tank and straightening the pipe itself has gone on towards completion without dangerous delay. The 170 foot cast-iron pipe has been straightened and has a new covering sufficient to prevent the water flowing up and down from freezing even in the almost zero temperature which has prevailed for the past two weeks. The workmen, who for days swung precariously in midair as dauntlessly as steeple jacks doing a handspring on a six-inch I beam atop a towering New York skyscraper, may smile complacently at the snow flurries that howl over the prairie and wait for balmy days during which to complete their project.

Time and the elements had finally rotted the first covering placed on this pipe more than a quarter of a century ago when the tank was erected. A runaway automobile once preferred it to the more customarily chosen telephone pole. It groaned under this mistreatment, but did not totter or fall. It was, however, becoming dangerous.

When the work of repairing was begun a few weeks ago and the old jacket had been stripped away, great skill was necessary to straighten the tons of metal standing on end lest the immense weight buckle and the entire pipe come tumbling down. The Hips-kind Heating and Plumbing Company of Ft. Wayne did this dangerous work. Carpenters, under the foremanship of Paul Schumacher, are constructing the new jacket.

This is in reality a triple covering. Two hexagon-shaped jackets of cypress wood are built around the pipe with an air space between them and between the inner one and the metal water conduit. Each of these is covered with a layer of tar paper. Finally, a third jacket, cylindrical in shape, is built around the whole. All of this work but one half of the outer covering had been completed when Winter, without advance notice of his approach, suddenly checked further progress temporarily.

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FIVE SOPRANOS SING IN CHOIR DECEMBER 8

When on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin the choir sang Dubois' Mass E Flat, five soprano voices discovered in the high school department carried the melody into every nook and corner of the chapel. One of these, Lawrence Thielen, is already a junior; two, the Reymann twins—Clemens and Cletus—are sophomores. The last two, Richard Arthur and Leo Ratterman, are freshmen. It was not merely the unusualness of hearing these youthful voices that made the singing that morning so excellent; the perfect blending of voices and the devotion with which the entire choir interpreted this Mass was truly inspirational.

Faculty Advisors

St. Joseph's, a small college, has an advantage over the larger colleges which cannot be overlooked. In the practice of choosing a faculty advisor we have something which does much to further personal relations between the students and the faculty. This is a help both to the students and their teachers. It is this tradition that plays an important part in making St. Joseph's the college that it is.

The faculty advisor is of inestimable value in shaping the spiritual course which his protegee follows. Not only along spiritual lines does the advisor lend a helping and a guiding hand; it is to him that the student may come with his difficulties and knotty problems of school life. The vocational guidance which he gives cannot be overrated.

Though it may not seem so to the pupil, his faculty advisor has always an interest in his welfare; is always willing to give time and sympathetic ear to anything which causes difficulty in the mind of the student. His mature experience is a stabilizing factor which helps to keep the student from letting his youthful exuberance be the controlling force in his actions.

Many have failed to appreciate what their advisor might do for them, and for this reason have caused themselves much unnecessary suffering. In reality, the faculty advisor takes the place of the parents, and should be regarded by the student in this light.

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LEO XIII AND OUR TIMES

By Rene Fulop-Miller

When the "Catholic Book Club" select a book of the month, the lover of good books need not hesitate in his purchasing that selection, for doubtlessly, it will be eminently readable.

Such a marked book was **Leo XIII and Our Times**, in translation by Conrad M. R. Banacina, when I made bold to break its adhesion to the book rack. Obviously, the book had not as yet experienced the joy a good book feels when its reader, sitting with a lingering hand on its shoulder, forgets the next piece of all-important candy, and as a prisoner of the story, fails to hear the bell that invites to recreation. Now that I have read the book, he reaction has been in me. I felt the guiding hand of Leo XIII, pointing the way through the darkness. I saw the scenes in the troubled times when reason sought to stamp out God, and upon closing the book, I took with me a king and an array of gaudy court fools. The Papacy was the king; he fools, the worshippers of the Goddess of Reason, whose very reasoning was as void of supreme values as was the original of lothes on the high altar of Notre Dame.

Leo XIII and Our Times is a history, an exciting drama, and the biography of a man of God all in one. Now, it is coldly actual as it points out the discordant rays of the uncertain son of realism, as it attempts to dispell the so-called darkness caused by the Papacy. Then, it inspires with the scene of the aged Leo crying "that his fellow cardinals were voting on his leath." With the orientation of a new pope, the feeble Lion awakes, and as Christ's Vicar on Earth, tears with the merciless

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fangs of Thomistic philosophy the errors of his time, proving, for example, that the church is not averse to temporal sovereignty insofar as the rights of the Pope are not encroached upon.

Not having previously read any of the works of Fulop-Miller, his style burst upon me. He writes as he pleases, touching lightly a note with his little finger, or bearing down with both hands on the pulsing keyboard in indignation over the attacks on the Chair of Peter. His paintings of the Popes are in colors that do not run. And when he writes of the charlatans of reasoning he does not mince words. With him a spade is a spade. With ponderous reasoning he hurls the thunderbolts of the Summa Theologica at the puny rationalists who, thinking that they have Christ's representative, at their mercy in the arena, point thumbs down.

Pious IX, worn out by his anathema against the pernicious and diabolical errors of his time, left the Church of Peter on rock not unlike sandstone; yet, "the gates of hell shall not prevail." God raised up His Lion, Leo XIII, the student of St. Thomas, a man who, having profited by his undiplomatic blunders as Nuncio in Brussels, was more than a match

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for the postulations of the robots of Satan. From the pen of this saintly man came some of the most learned and timely encyclicals of the infallible occupants of the Chair of Peter. His spirit today lives, moves and regulates in his "Rerum Novarum" which Pius XI has incorporated in his "Quadragesimo Anno." Consequently, his influence on our times is great.

In reading **Leo XIII and Our Times**, I was astonished by the fact that it is the work of a non-Catholic. Rene Fulop-Miller's book is a challenge to every Catholic to learn the history of the

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struggle of the Church in conquering the weapons of illogical reasoning. He shows that the Philosophy of St. Thomas is capable of solving the Isms of our day as it did in the time of Leo XIII. **Leo XIII and Our Times**, made me proud of my heritage as a Catholic, proud of the noble and worthy successors of St. Peter, and a lover of Leo XIII, that grand old man of the Papacy.
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